

ANNUAL

Meeting Of The Presbyterian
Church Thursday Night

When Reports Of The Year's
Work Were Read

Resolutions Were Adopted On
The Resignation

Of The Pastor, The Rev.
James S. Revennaugh

Officers Were Also Elected
At The Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the First Presbyterian church was held Thursday evening at the church on North Gay street. A large number of friends and members of the church were present during the evening which was a combined business and social affairs. The meeting was called to order by Clerk R. N. Litton and on motion, W. P. Bogardus was appointed, as chairman. This was followed by prayer. The minutes of the last previous meeting were read by Clerk R. N. Litton.

Following this came the various reports which were as follows:

Woman's Foreign and Home Missionary Society—Receipts during the year, \$182.07. Disbursements during the year \$205.57.

Beneficent fund ending March 31—Amount received during the year, \$554.61. Disbursements during the year \$554.61.

Treasurer of the Sabbath school—Amount received, \$194.47. Disbursements, \$194.47.

Building fund—Amount in treasury, \$3437.04. Amount paid out during the year, \$618.23. The amount in the treasury shows an increase of \$67.43 to the amount in the treasury last year.

Report of the Entertainment committee showed that \$105.25 had been received and paid out during the year. Deacons' Fund—\$10.08 paid out with \$32.98 on hand.

M. J. Fish, treasurer of the church, reported that the total amount received during the year was \$2696.55 and that \$2,691.18 had been paid out, leaving a balance of \$53.37 in the treasury.

After the various reports had been given, a resolution was read and adopted concerning the resignation of Rev. J. S. Revennaugh from the pastorate of the Presbyterian church. The resolution was as follows:

"Whereas, it has pleased God to take from us, our pastor, James S. Revennaugh that He may use him in larger fields, and, whereas, the said J. S. Revennaugh has accepted this call and tendered his resignation.

Now, Therefore, Be it resolved by the members of this congregation that in joining with him to have our relations dissolved that we do with deep regret, feel that this community can ill afford to lose him and his family, and that we take this method of showing our love and appreciation for him and his work during the years that he has been with us, and be it further;

Resolved, That we take advantage of this opportunity to commend J. S. Revennaugh for the splendid work that he has done here for the overthrow of organized evil in this community and that we take this method of putting our stamp of approval upon him and his work and that we forward a copy of these resolutions to the proper officers of the church to which he has been called and that the same be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

After the reading of the above resolution, the officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

Trustees for three years—Frank L. Beam and R. C. Armstrong.
Elders for three years—Jesse Myers, W. A. Ackerman, R. C. Colville and Wilnot Sperry.

After all matters of business had been attended to, the social part of the evening was begun and lasted for some little time. Many short addresses were made by the various members of the church during the supper which was heartily enjoyed by everyone.

The past has been a very successful year for the church and indications seem to show that it will probably be far surpassed during 1910.

ARBOR DAY IN KANSAS

Topeka, Kan., April 8.—Arbor Day was widely observed throughout Kansas today by planting of trees and flowers and by special exercises in all the public schools.

BRIBE PROBERS
BEGIN INQUIRY

Will Investigate Methods Employed By Telephone Lobby.

SULLIVAN WILL CONDUCT WORK

Former United States District Attorney of Cleveland Is Well-Equipped For Work In Hand—Langdon Selected as Chairman and Russell Secretary of Committee That Will Examine Every Member of House Relative to Elson Telephone Bill.

Columbus, O., April 8.—Representative Howard W. Pears of Allen county, in his testimony before the house committee investigating charges of bribery in connection with the passage of the Elson telephone merger bill through the house, named Simon Cronin, an employee of the Bell Telephone company in charge of the booths in the smoking room of the house, as the man who offered him \$100 to vote for the measure.

Cronin, who is a resident of Akron, emphatically denies the charge and says he is willing to appear before the committee and make his denial under oath. However, the committee will not grant his request, according to one member. To do so, he says, would give Cronin immunity from prosecution. The requests of Lewis Bernard and John Murphy of Cincinnati will also be turned down according to this member.

At first Pears flatly refused to name the alleged briber, saying that his attorney had advised him that it would do no good, as the investigation would result in a farce, but after being given time to consider the matter named Cronin as the man.

Smith Contradicts Elson. Representative W. T. Smith of Marion flatly contradicted the testimony given before the bribery investigating committee by Representative Asa W. Elson, author of the telephone merger bill. Elson swore that nobody had assisted him in drafting the measure.

"Elson's and my desk adjoin, and in more than one conversation about the Elson bill, Elson told me that Cyrus B. Huling, Columbus attorney for the Citizens' Telephone company, the independent system controlled by the J. P. Morgan interests, had helped him draw the bill," Smith testified.

Smith, as a member of the house committee on railroads and telegraphs, told how Elson had managed to get his bill out of committee. "He said it was just a little telephone bill referring to local conditions in his own county," said Smith. "A majority of the committee voted to report the bill on the understanding that the Woods public utilities bill would be passed first. Later this was not done."

Representative Degenhart of Cincinnati told of his regret that he had voted for the bill, because of the rumors that money had been used to procure its passage. He said that he wanted to clear himself and had announced that he would move for a reconsideration of the vote by which the bill was passed. On Thursday following the passage, the last day on which the vote could be reconsidered, he tried twice unsuccessfully to get the floor and then made an arrangement with the speaker to be recognized. The house does not usually adjourn until between 5 and 6, and shortly after 4 he was called to the hall outside by John Murphy, telephone representative from Cincinnati, and they were joined a few minutes later by Representative Brenner. Both urged him not to make the motion to reconsider. He would not be persuaded and Brenner went back into the house while Murphy continued the conversation. When Degenhart got away a few minutes later he found that the house had just adjourned, an hour earlier than usual, and that the last chance to reconsider had been lost.

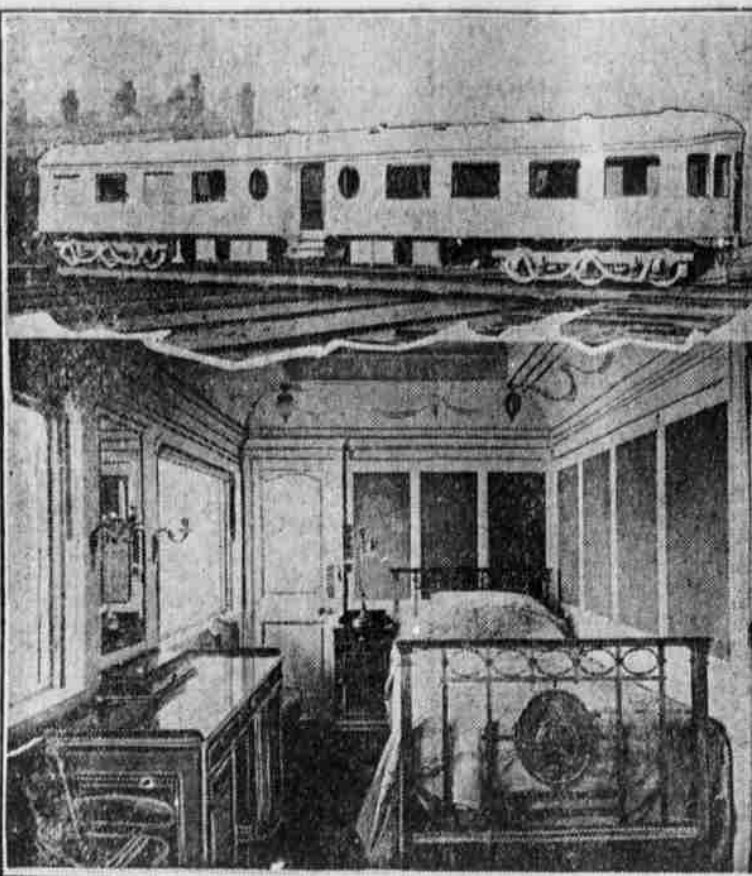
Woods Springs Sensation. The testimony of Representative Frank Woods of Medina county created a sensation. "Representative Fred Moritz of Cleveland told me he had been offered \$50 by another member of the house to vote against a motion to reconsider the Elson merger bill," Woods testified. "I asked him if he could prove it, and he said nobody was present and overheard the offer."

The house judiciary committee has reported favorably the Spiegel bill which makes it manslaughter for the driver of an automobile to kill a person through reckless driving.

In the senate Mr. Deaton's bills authorizing the detachment of Cedar Point from Sandusky and to enable Cedar Point to incorporate as a separate municipality were passed.

Among the bills introduced in the senate was one by Mr. Patterson of Ashland abolishing the state fire marshal's office.

Two new state normal school buildings for northern Ohio received impetus when the senate passed the bill of Representative Lowry of Henry county, providing a commission to pick the sites. An amendment adopted in the senate provides that neither school shall be located in any city or town where a college is situated.

A Palace on Wheels For
President of Buenos Aires

A luxurious railway saloon has been built at Birmingham, England, for the Buenos Aires centenary exhibition. The coach has been constructed for the president of that country and is a gift from the car construction company. The day saloon is furnished in white with green silk panels, the style being that of the Louis XVI. period. The bedroom is finished off most beautifully with a Tynecastle ceiling. The study is fitted with a handsome secretaire bookcase. The saloon contains two bathrooms, fitted with marble wash basins. It is probably the most beautiful railway saloon in the world and far surpasses any royal carriage.

MANY ARE HIT
BY WITNESSES

Bribery Investigators Learn the
Tricks of Telephone Men.

ENLISTED BIG POLITICIANS

Testimony Brought Out at Hearing Indicates That Leaders of Both Political Parties Were Interested in Passage of Elson Telephone Measure in House—Moritz Says He Considered Offer by Unknown Parties in Light of Huge Joke.

Columbus, O., April 9.—That many politicians—big and little and of both political complexions—were deeply interested in the passage of the Elson telephone merger bill, has been brought to light by the testimony introduced at the hearings of the house committee that is investigating rumors and charges that questionable methods were used to boost it through the lower branch of the general assembly.

Judge Winters of Erie county, first implicated Louis Bernard, the Democratic leader of Cincinnati; next Howard Pears of Lima pointed the finger of suspicion at Simon Cronin of Akron, said to be a lieutenant of Harvey Garber, telephone magnate and Democratic national committeeman from Ohio. Then came Representative Beaschler of Noble county, who testified that 30 minutes before the Elson bill came up for passage in the house W. H. Phipps, secretary of the Republican state executive committee and state oil inspector, called him over the phone and urged him to vote in the affirmative.

Following Beaschler, Representative J. J. Connaughton of Auglaize county testified that Samuel A. Hoskins, former Democratic candidate for secretary of state, buttonholed him in the statehouse corridor and asked him to vote for the bill.

Were Handy Letter Writers.

The testimony of a number of representatives was to the effect that most of the letters and telegrams they received urging the passage of the Elson bill were from Bell telephone interests and from independent interests that wanted to sell out to the Bell in the event the Elson bill became a law.

Between now and Monday night, when the next hearing of the committee is scheduled, the lobby record of a number of big state politicians are to be looked into with a view of introducing evidence later on showing the exact nature of the connection with the phone interests.

Representative Moritz of Cleveland, in a long cross-examination, insisted that the expression used to him, "We'll give Moritz \$50 if he'll vote against reconsideration," was by men standing in the house, whose identity he did not notice, whom he would not recognize again, and that he took it as a joke and so repeated it to Representative Woods. He said he had never had any offer of money or office to vote for the bill.

Prosecuting Attorney Karl Webber said that no special grand jury would be called to investigate the bribery charges in connection with the Elson telephone bill. The law has no provision for a special grand jury out-

side of the regular term of court, and if any investigations are made it will be done by the regular grand jury for the April term when it convenes a week from Monday.

Governor Harmon made the General anti-white slave traffic bill a law by signing it. It prescribes a heavy fine and a long penitentiary sentence for violation of its provisions.

Bernard Wrathful at Winters.

Cincinnati, O., April 9.—"I will make Winters look like a monkey," declared Lewis Bernard, in a statement wherein he expressed the desire to go before the Langdon committee and vent his spleen on the man he says falsely accused him of making him (Representative C. B. Winters) a promise of support in return for Winters' withdrawal of his opposition to the Elson bill.

Columbus, O., April 9.—In an interview Senator Daniel F. Mooney of Auglaize county said: "House members who have so emphatically registered their disapproval of the telephone lobbyists will soon be called upon to vote on a bill which is backed by a more powerful and powerful lobby than the Elson bill was."

"I refer to the Yount bill, creating a state school commission to provide uniform text books for all elementary schools of Ohio outside cities. The Elson telephone bill lobby was a bad one, but the school book trust lobby is a vicious one. It levies a tribute on the school children of Ohio in its schedule of prices for books, and parents must either pay it or permit their children to grow up uneducated."

Is Adroit and Subtle.

"This book trust lobby is an adroit, subtle, powerful as well as vicious one. It is sending school superintendents and teachers here to work against the Yount bill. People of Ohio have learned to respect those at the head of its schools. But I charge that the book trust controls half the schools of Ohio and that most of those school superintendents lobbying against the Yount bill are being paid a fee, just like other professional lobbyists. Their compensation might not be in money, but it takes the form of books or other presents."

"Taxpayers employ these men to supervise their schools and they leave their posts at the busiest period of the school year and come to Columbus to do the school book trust's work."

"The lobbyists advance an absurd argument against the bill. They say if it is passed the children will have an inferior quality of books. Ohio has school men who can compile as good a series of books as does the book trust, and with competitive bidding they will get them much cheaper."

"Telegrams purporting to be from constituents to members really express only the sentiment of the book trust agents, who pay the cost of sending them. They are not hearing from the parents compelled to purchase new series of books every three or four years, at the dictation of the book trust. This levy does not leave them money to pay for telegrams."

Cleveland Defeats Columbus. Columbus, O., April 9.—In a hard-fought exhibition game, played in the presence of a large crowd, the Cleveland American league team trimmed the Columbus American association club by a score of 3 to 0. Batteries: Sliton, Nelson and Carlsch; Link and Easterly.

THOMAS F. WALSH DIES

Mine Owner Loses After Hard Struggle With Death.

Washington, April 9.—Thomas F. Walsh, the Colorado mine owner, died at his home here. Mr. Walsh had been ill for more than six months with heart trouble, that followed an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Walsh was taken ill in the latter part of January, and when he had partially recovered from his attack of pneumonia started for Palm Beach. Complications developed there and he was taken to San Antonio, Tex., in the hope that the climate in that part of the country would be more beneficial. When it was found that Mr. Walsh was not improving in Texas, he was rushed across the continent in a special train in order that he might see his grandchild, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McLean, before the end came.

Mr. Walsh's wealth has been variously estimated at from \$10,000,000 to \$40,000,000. His daughter married Edward McLean, a son of John R. McLean, the publisher. Mr. Walsh was a friend of the late King Leopold of Belgium, and at the time of the king's death was one of the few men in this country to come forward with a statement in his behalf. The present king of Belgium only recently presented to Mr. Walsh's little grandson a solid gold cradle.

Man's Confession Probably True.

Washington, April 9.—The police authorities have sent two detectives to Chicago to bring back Matthew D. Doss, the young man who wandered into a police station in Chicago and voluntarily confessed that he had poisoned his wife by putting carbolic acid in beer which she drank. This, he said, happened about a year ago. Investigation here discloses that the story the man told is probably true.

TAFT TO SOUND KEYNOTE

Washington, D. C., April 9.—Republicans throughout the country are awaiting with great interest the address on "Republicanism," with which President Taft will formally open the Congressional campaign and sound the keynote of the political situation.

At the banquet to be given by the League of Republicans clubs of the District of Columbia, at the Arlington tonight. The address of President Taft and the speeches to be delivered at the same banquet by Senator Lodge, Representative McKinley of Illinois, chairman of the Republican congressional committee; Representative Duncan McKinley of California, John Hays Hammond, president of the National League of Republican clubs; John A. Stewart of the New York league and John G. Capers, national committeeman for South Carolina form part of the program for the defensive campaign mapped out by the leaders of the party. Convinced that the public mind has been impressed by attacks of various kinds in many parts of the country and that the criticism cannot be permitted to pass unanswered without injury to Republican prestige, the party leaders decided to carry the war into the enemy's country.

In these addresses some facts are to be brought out relating to the operation of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill, and the enemies of that legislation will be called upon to answer the friends of the administration with some concrete evidence for their side.

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MOUNTAINS
OF GOLD

During Change of Life,
says Mrs. Chas. Barclay



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For more than 30 years it has been curing female complaints such as inflammation, ulceration, local weaknesses, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, indigestion and nervous prostration, and it is unequalled for carrying women safely through the period of change of life. It costs but little to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and, as Mrs. Barclay says, it is "worth mountains of gold" to suffering women.

PLAN BIG TIME
FOR COLUMBUS

Centennial Commission Files Its
Report With Governor.

WILL CONTINUE TWELVE DAYS

According to Tentative Program, Ohio's Celebration in Honor of Hundredth Anniversary of Establishment of Capital in Columbus Will Be Gorgeous Affair—State's Great Men and Their Descendants to Be There on Ohio Day.

Columbus, O., April 9.—The tentative program for the Ohio Columbus centennial has been filed with Governor Harmon by John A. Poland, Chillicothe member of the commission appointed to make suggestions for the observance by the state of Ohio and the city of Columbus of the one hundredth anniversary of the establishment of the capital in this city.

In the opinion of the committee the opening day should be devoted to addresses by distinguished Ohioans and the dedication or unveiling of a permanent memorial.

On Governor's day it is expected that the executives of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin, all of which were part of the original Northwest Territory,

with their staffs, will be guests of the state of Ohio. Federal day will be given over to a dignified military and historical parade, and a grand assembly hall, in which the guests will be attired in costumes of 1812. President Taft, members of his cabinet, congressmen, past and present, will be the guests of honor.

Wright Brothers in Charge. Industrial day will be representative of Ohio's manufacturing and labor interests. The aviation display will be in charge of the Wright brothers.

Other days will be designated as Ohio state officials' day, veterans' day, educational children's day, fraternal day, athletic day and choral day.

For an outdoor spectacle it is suggested that at the Columbus Driving park, with stage settings and a miniature river before grandstands, capable of seating 20,000 people, a story of the whole era of Ohio could be graphically enacted.

As Columbus is the largest city in the world bearing the name of the discoverer of America, it suggests that Spain be asked to send over living descendants of the great explorer to be the guests of the nation. A gathering of the descendants of Ohio's presidents, generals, statesmen, jurists and governors is suggested.

Police Matron Injured.

Columbus, O., April 9.—Lucretia Gibbons, 75, matron at the central police station, is in a critical condition as the result of a fall down the front steps of the prison.

Breadline For Cincinnati.

Cincinnati, O., April 9.—James Bad How, the millionaire tramp of St. Louis was here and established a breadline at Workmen's hall, feeding several hundred men of the army of the unemployed buns, apples and coffee.

MOTHER'S FRIEND

A LINIMENT FOR EXTERNAL USE.

No woman who bears children need suffer during the period of waiting, nor at any time of baby's coming, if Mother's Friend is used as a massage for the muscles, tendons and glands of the body. Mother's Friend is a penetrating, healthful liniment which strengthens the ligaments, lubricates and renders pliant those muscles on which the strain is greatest, prevents caking of the breasts by keeping the ducts open, and relieves nausea, backache, numbness, nervousness, etc. Its regular use will prepare every portion of the system for the safety of both mother and child and greatly reduce the pain and danger when the little one comes. Mother's Friend is sold at drug stores. Write for our free book containing valuable information for expectant mothers.

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